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## Applicant(s) Applicati n No. STEWART, RONALD L. 10/016.840 Interview Summary **Art Unit** Examiner Gwendolyn A. Blackwell-1775 Rudasill All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel): (1) Gwendolyn A. Blackwell-Rudasill. (2) Siwen Chen. Date of Interview: 19 June 2003. Type: a)⊠ Telephonic b)□ Video Conference 2) applicant's representative c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e)⊠ No. If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_. Claim(s) discussed: \_\_\_\_\_. Identification of prior art discussed: EP 0 441 128 A1. Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) $\times$ N/A. Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet. (A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.) THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Applicant's counsel was advised by the examiner that in order to overcome the compositional limitations set forth in EP '128, the claims would need to be amended around the prior art or a declaration demonstrating comparative results between the claimed composition and the prior art demonstrating unexpected results over the prior art. Counsel indicated that the neodymium oxide content would be amended to a range from 5-10%. In addition, an affadavit would be submitted by the inventor to discuss the criticality of the neodymium oxide range and the other glass components. Counsel was advised by the examiner that 10% would still contain an endpoint of the EP '128 composition.